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At the Court at St. James's, March 3. 1708.

PRESENT,

The Queen's moſt Excellent Majeſty in Council.

THIS Day, by Her Majeſty's Command, his Grace the Duke of *Marlborough* was Sworn of Her Majeſty's moſt Honourable Privy Council, purſuant to an Act paſſed the laſt Seſſion of Parliament in that behalf, Entituled, *An Act for rendring the Union of the two Kingdoms more Entire and Compleat*; and took his Place at the Board accordingly.

This Day his Grace *John* Duke of *Roxborough* was, by Her Majeſty's Command, Sworn one of the Lords of Her Majeſty's moſt Honourable Privy-Council, and took his Place at the Board accordingly.

Berlin, March 2. *N. S.* This Court has been extreamly alarmed at the Danger which the Princeſs Royal was lately in of being burnt by a Fire which broke out in her Apartment while ſhe lay aſleep: Her Highneſs did not awake 'till it had taken hold of her Bed, and was preſerved with great Difficulty by the Gentlewoman of her Bedchamber in waiting, who ran through the Flames to her Aſſiſtance. The Princeſs has wholly recovered from her Fright, and we are out of all Apprehenſions of any ill Conſequence from it, notwithſtanding ſhe was 6 Months gone with Child. General Lottum is arrived here, and the Meaſures which were taken for the Augmentation and Recruiting all his Majeſty's Troops in the Low-Countries, have been communicated to that Officer. The Recruits for the Pruſſian Troops in Italy are in the ſame readineſs. The Prince Royal's Equipage for the next Campaign will very ſuddenly be ſent forward. On Wedneſday laſt the Margrave of Bareith Culenbach was Contracted to the Eldeſt Daughter of the Duke of Holſtein Beck in her Majeſty's Apartment, and the King was pleaſed to be preſent at that Ceremony. Letters from Wilda of the 17th of the laſt Month ſay, that the King of Sweden's Army was ſtill at Knotop, and that there was a Ceſſation of Arms agreed upon between that Prince and his Czarish Majeſty. The ſame Advices make mention of the Engagement between the Swedes and Muſcovites, in which the former loſt 3000 Men, and the latter 8000.

Hamburgh, March 5. *N. S.* The Imperial Envoy, Count Schonborn, at his coming hither on Friday laſt from an Interview at Boitzenburgh with the Duke of Mecklenburgh, notified to the Britiſh and Dutch Miniſters the Succeſs of his Negotiation, particularly that he had found the Duke diſpoſed to conſent, that the Differences between him and his Gentry ſhould be compoſed in an amicable way; whereupon he had prevailed ſo far with his Highneſs, that Orders were given to the Pruſſian Troops quartered in that Dukedom to march out before the end of this Week, and Commiſſioners named to Conduct them to the Frontiers. This principal Point being adjuſted, there is no Matter in queſtion which can be of any great Conſequence, or the leaſt occaſion left for continuing the Diſturbances in thoſe Parts. That Miniſter diſpatched the next Day an Expreſs with this Advice to the Court of Vienna. Letters from Saxony inform us, that the King of Denmark is expected at Dreſden within 15 or 20 Days, where great Preparations were made for his Majeſty's Reception and Divertiſement during his ſtay, which (as they believe) will be 'till to the middle of April, his Majeſty having reſolved to ſee the Fair of Leiptſig before his Return to Denmark. The Saxon Troops deſigned for Flanders are appointed to aſſemble near Dreſden on the 13th of this Month, from whence they are immediately to march towards the Low-Countries.

Hague, March 12. *N. S.* Their High Mightineſſes have appointed Preſents to be given to the ſeveral Officers who ſerved in the Artois the laſt Campaign. Count Tilly is to receive 1000 Piſtoles, each Lieutenant-General 400, a Major-General 200, and a Brigadier 100. On the 7th Inſtant Monſieur Heems, the Imperial Miniſter, received a Copy of the Treaty concluded between his Imperial Majeſty and the Pope, which he has communicated to the States-General. They write from Liſle, that the Convoy of 500 Waggons was arrived there from Ghent, and that a Detachment of the Enemy had appeared and advanced as if they had deſign'd to attack the Convoy, but retired upon the Approach of a Party of the Allies. Thoſe Advices add, that there has lately happened a Diſturbance in the Garriſon of St. Omer for want of Pay; and that it was with great Difficulty that their Officers had prevented a general Mutiny. The Magiſtrates of Doway have been obliged to raiſe great Sums to ſecure themſelves from the Fears of the like Diſorders there. Letters from France tell us, that the great want of Mony, added to the Severity of the Winter, had reduced the People to the utmoſt Miſery, and that great Numbers had periſhed with Hunger and Cold. Advices from Dreſden ſay, that the Troops which King Auguſtus had agreed to ſend into the Service of Her Britannick Majeſty and the States-General, had received Orders to be in a readineſs to march on the 15th Inſtant, and that they had hitherto been retarded only by the badneſs of the Ways. We hear from Vienna, by Letters of the 23d of the laſt Month, That the Conferences on the preſent Poſture of Affairs continued, and that Count Thaun was every Day expected out of Italy. General Heiſter was then preparing to return into Hungary, and had already ſent his Equipage thither. According to thoſe Advices, Prince Eugene had named the 8th Inſtant for the Day of his ſetting out to the Low-Countries. His Imperial Majeſty had given freſh Orders to haſten the Recruits, and taken the neceſſary Meaſures for ſending Succours to the King of Spain.

Falmouth, February 28. On the 25th Inſtant ſailed the Expedition Pacquet-Boat, Capt. Clyes Commander, with 2 Mails for Lisbon, and 36 Soldiers. Yeſterday put in the Sanayar, Dirick Fenelway Maſter; the Endraught, Abraham Poll Maſter; and the America, Cornelius Drunkard Maſter, all of and for Midleburg from Surinam and Barbisber. Put in alſo the St. Jago and St. Joſeph, of and for Bilboa, Jago Erſon Maſter. This Day ſailed her Majeſty's Ships Southampton and Orford-Prize, with the Fleet formerly mentioned, for Swanzey.

Portſmouth, March 3. Laſt Night Sir John Norris came to this Place, and this Morning hoiſted his Flag on Board her Majeſty's Ship Ranelagh in the Harbour.

Yarmouth, March 4. On the 2d Inſtant paſſed through our Road divers light Colliers and Coaſters to the Northward.

Deal, March 5. Here lye Her Majeſty's Ships the Norfolk, Revenge, Dreadnought, Guernſey, Garland, South-ſea-Caſtle, Goſport, Tartar and Mary-Galley, with ſeveral outward-bound Merchant-Ships and Coaſters.

If any Able-bodied Men are willing to ſerve her Majeſty in the Train of Artillery Abroad, let them repair to Captain Silver, Maſter-Gunner of England, at his Houſe in St. James's Park. They ſhall enter into preſent Pay at 7 s. a Week, and ſhall receive 40 s. Bounty-Mony, and be further Encouraged and Advanced as they ſhall deſerve.

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